

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please rewrite the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:

 an image sensing sensor adapted to convert an optical image into
an image signal;

 a viewfinder adapted to display the image signal obtained by said
image sensor; and

 a correction device adapted to correct brightness of the image
signal displayed by said viewfinder in accordance with a difference
between luminance level of the image signal obtained by said image
sensing sensor, and a target luminance level which indicates an exposure
value of a photographing operation.

2. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said correction
device obtains the luminance level of the image signal obtained by said
image sensing sensor by a first method, and obtains the target luminance
level by a second method different from the first method.

3. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the first
method is a method of obtaining an average luminance of the image signal
obtained by said image sensing sensor.

4. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the first method is a method of obtaining a central luminance of the image signal obtained by said image sensing sensor.

5. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the second method is a method of obtaining the target luminance level in accordance with an exposure correction value.

6. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 2, wherein the second method is a method of obtaining the target luminance level in accordance with evaluative photometry results obtained by divisionally evaluating the luminance level of the image signal obtained by said image sensing sensor in correspondence with a plurality of positions on an image sensing surface of said image sensing sensor.

7. (Previously Submitted) The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

an exposure control device adapted to sense an image under the exposure control corresponding to the target luminance level.

8. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said exposure control device makes the exposure control in correspondence with the luminance level of the image signal obtained by said image sensing sensor.

9. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said correction device corrects the brightness of said viewfinder by brightness corresponding to the difference between the luminance level of the image signal obtained by said image sensing sensor, and the target luminance level.

10. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said correction device corrects the brightness of said viewfinder when the difference between the luminance level of the image signal obtained by said image sensing sensor, and the target luminance level is larger than a predetermined value.

11. (Previously Submitted) The apparatus according to claim 10, wherein said correction device comprises an exposure control device adapted to make exposure control in correspondence with the luminance level of the image signal obtained by said image sensing sensor when the difference between the luminance level of the image signal obtained by

said image sensing sensor, and the target luminance level is larger than the predetermined value.

12. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said correction device does not correct the brightness of said viewfinder when the difference between the luminance level of the image signal obtained by said image sensing sensor, and the target luminance level is smaller than a predetermined value.

13. (Previous Submitted) The apparatus according to claim 12, wherein said correction device comprises an exposure control device adapted to make exposure control in correspondence with the target luminance level when the difference between the luminance level of the image signal obtained by said image sensing sensor, and the target luminance level is smaller than the predetermined value.

14. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said apparatus includes an image sensing apparatus.

15. (Original) The apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said apparatus includes a camera.

16. (Currently Amended) A control method for controlling an image sensing apparatus, comprising the steps of:

displaying the image signal obtained by an image sensing sensor on a viewfinder, and correcting the brightness of the image signal displayed by said viewfinder in accordance with a difference between a luminance level of the image signal obtained by said image sensing sensor, and a target luminance level of a photographing operation.

17. (Currently Amended) A computer program product that supplies a control program of an image sensing apparatus including a content of:

displaying the image signal obtained by an image sensing sensor on a viewfinder, and correcting the brightness of the image signal displayed by said viewfinder in accordance with a difference between a luminance level of the image signal obtained by said image sensing sensor, and a target luminance level which indicates an exposure value of a photographing operation.

18. (Original) The computer program product according to claim 17, wherein said computer program product includes a storage medium.

19. (New) The apparatus according to claim 5, wherein the exposure correction value is a value according to a difference between the

luminance level of the image signal obtained by said image sensing sensor, and a reference luminance level.

20. (New) The apparatus according to claim 7, wherein said exposure control device performs the exposure control by a method different from a method in which said correction device correct brightness of the image signal.